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**Subject:** Re: Presentation of the Coastal Research Institute

Erica morning of the 16th looks to be the best.

I will send you more background tomorrow as well as some points for Alexis to consider.

LMU is trying to shoot a video, for the event and for the CRI website. They thought interviewing Alexis, in San Francisco would be great I'm worried that we're asking too much. Do you have a feeling either way on this specifically.

I have alternatives lined up namely Surabhi.

Thanks Erica, I'm in a public hearing (all day) otherwise would have been on that call earlier. They recorded it, I hope to listen to it soon.

Best Wishes!

Tom

On Oct 5, 2017, at 1:26 PM, Yelensky, Erica <Yelensky.Erica@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Tom and Heather,

Can we set aside some time to talk about the November 9 event?

Is there any more background info you can provide on the Coastal Research Institute?

What would you like Alexis to highlight when she speaks?

I have availability next Thursday, October 12 in the afternoon, the morning October 13, and most of October 16.

Thanks,

Erica

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Erica,

Attached is the probably more than you need version of your request.

I'm off to teach shortly, then I have to haul across town for my kid's soccer team.

So any follow will have to happen later tonight or tomorrow in between dives.

Thanks Erica!

Tom

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Tom,

I am trying to think of a clever response to the picture you have painted of yourself... ☺

Thanks for the draft agenda. This is very helpful. I just need one more piece of information - a brief description of the Coastal Research Institute- and then I can route the request.

Can you send it today?

Alexis' calendar is currently open and Tomás is already committed that day.

Thanks,

Erica

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Erica,

Sorry been busier than a one armed coat hanger and juggling the 6 chefs in the kitchen on this one. Scheduled the 9<sup>th</sup> of November, from 2-5 or from 3-5. Extra hour maybe part of this program so that students can access the posters before the speakers/formal part of the program starts at 3:00.

1. Welcome and Introductions President Snyder and/or Dean Choe
2. Overview, mission and vision for CRI Jim Landry and Tom Ford
3. Projects, research and partnerships Karina Johnston and John Dorsey
4. KEYNOTE, Alexis Strauss/Tomas Torres
5. Closing Dean Choe

6. Reception and poster session, 10-12 students projects featured; relating to BRP/CMP priorities and projects of the SMBNEP. Includes students from LMU, UCLA, CAL STATE LA, Cal Poly Pomona, UC Davis(maybe)

Hope to see 70-100 folks at the event.

Thanks as always!

Tom

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Hi Tom and Heather,

Can you please send us a brief description of the event and what the Coastal Research Institute is (I want to make sure I capture it correctly)? Also, if you have a draft agenda and list of other invited speakers available that would be helpful.

Once I have that, we can route the invite up through the chain.

Thanks much.

Erica

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Sam and Erica,

A date has finally been pulled. Looking at the 9<sup>th</sup> of November. Still looking to find out if Alexis would be available and interested. I think Tomas would also be very welcome.

Haven't been in touch with you all for a few weeks; I hope you are well!

Cheers,

Tom

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